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Mr. Conrad	_____
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Mr. Rosen	_____
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Mr. Trotter	_____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (9-) - P -

SUBJECT:
 OTTO KERNER - GOVERNOR -
 STATE OF ILLINOIS -
 VICTIM
 EXTORTION
 (OO: SAN JUAN)

Enclosed for the Bureau are three copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth information received August 31, 1967, from Superintendent WILLIAM MORRIS, Illinois State Police. One extra copy is forwarded for Secret Service, Washington. Also enclosed for the Bureau is a Xerox copy, one each, of letter, postcard, envelope, and card containing three embalming needles.

Enclosed for San Juan are three copies of letterhead memorandum (one for Secret Service, San Juan) and original and one Xerox copy each of postcard, letter, envelope, and card containing three embalming needles sent by .

Local dissemination has been made to Secret Service, Springfield, 113th MI Group, Evanston, OSI, Chanute AFB, and NISO, Chicago. One copy is furnished to USA, Springfield, by separate letter concerning his declination.

Copies are forwarded to the above due to the prominence of Governor KERNER.

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ENCLOSURE

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 Special Agent in Charge

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Instant matter was presented to Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of Illinois, [redacted] on August 31, 1967, who advised there was no threat apparent in the letter and card sufficient to sustain prosecution and, therefore, no prosecution was authorized.

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Since neither the letter nor the postcard is anonymous, contains an apparent threat, is known as a product of a prolific letter writer, or contains indication the writer will become an extortionist, the original card, letter and envelope along with the embalming needles are being enclosed for San Juan for its use in interview of [redacted]

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For the information of the Bureau and San Juan, Illinois State Police Agent [redacted] who handled the above material said the notation "nut file" appearing in ink on line three, top right of the letter of June 14, 1967, was put there by someone in the Governor's Office upon receipt of the letter as it appeared to be one of the many crank letters usually obtained by persons of prominence.

When the postcard from the same individual was subsequently received it was decided it would be prudent to request proper authorities to check the matter because Governor KERNER will pass through San Juan on his way to a conference in the Virgin Islands in October, 1967.

LEAD:

SAN JUAN DIVISION

At Yauco, Puerto Rico

Will locate and interview [redacted] to determine his reason for sending the three embalming needles to Governor KERNER and determine the meaning of the letter which he wrote as well as whether there exists any potential for embarrassment or danger to Governor KERNER or his party during the Puerto Rican visit.

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Furnish Springfield one copy of the results of San Juan investigation.

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No further action being taken by Springfield
at this time and San Juan is designated as office or
origin.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

September 1, 1967

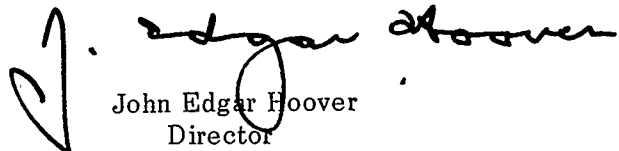
Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☒ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☐ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) ☐ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available
☐ may be available through _____

Very truly yours,


John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service

Enclosure(s)

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form
becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Springfield, Illinois
September 1, 1967



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Superintendent WILLIAM MORRIS, Illinois State Police, Springfield, Illinois, on August 31, 1967, made available a letter directed to "Honorable Richard J. Daily, Governor of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois", dated June 14, 1967, bearing the heading Yauco, Puerto Rico. This letter reads as follows:

"Dear Sir:

"I have the pleasure of present to you as a gift to your excellence the enclosed in here of these Post Mortem needles.

"Their axiom is the Latin = Phrase: Noceste Ipsum which meaning is: Please to know yourself: that in the struggle for the life is the Latin Phrase: 'Casus Belle' that the meaning is 'Case for the war.

"For idiosyncrasy have the reflexion in the extint boxers.

"Please accept my Sincere thanks by expression of your confidence and believe in me:

"Very respectfully yours.



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The letter bears a marginal note which is as follows:

"Note: The enclosed needles are for Sewing embaln cadavers Perhaps, maybe to esteem highly use for your goverment."

The envelope in which this letter was received is postmarked in Puerto Rico January 14, 1967, in the morning, but a portion of the postmark is blurred. The envelope bears the word personally and is addressed to Hon: Richard J. Daily, Governor of Illinois, Springfield, Springfield, Illinois, and bears the added notation Capital of the State.

ENCLOSURE

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Enclosed in the letter was a card on which were three curved needles held by heavy thread. The card bore the words:

"Noceste Ipsum
"Needles for sewing: Embalm Cadavers
"Affairs of Sociology Casus Belli
"Post Mortem: Special Curve
and Half curved triangles for mouth".

A small note under the last line made in England.

The words Noceste Ipsum and Casus Belli are underlined twice. The reverse side of this card is blank card-board.

Also furnished was a postcard bearing a postmark of Yauco, Puerto Rico and a stamp "RECEIVED AUG 21 1967 THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE." The card is addressed to Hon OTTO KERNER, Governor of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois, US. of A. The reverse of this card contains the following:

"From: Yauco, Puerto Rico.

"Gentlemen: Noxcete Ipsum that meaning to know yourself and Casus Belli:: Case for the war.

"On June 14th I sent to your excellence three Post Mortem needles for sewing corpse cadavers. And regret to say you that I am without the advises."

This card is signed [REDACTED]

On August 31, 1967, the above letter and card along with enclosures were made available to Assistant United States Attorney [REDACTED] Southern District of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois, who advised that there was no threat apparent in the letter and card sufficient to sustain prosecution and no prosecution was authorized.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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Yauco, Puerto Rico

June 14th. 1907

Hon Richard J. Daily ^{Post file}
Governor of Illinois
Springfield, Illinois -

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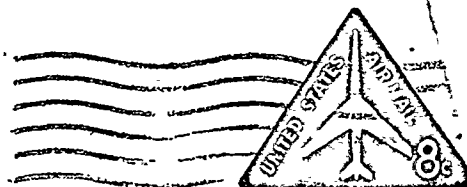
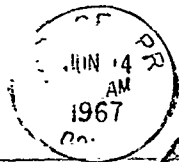
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Very respectfully yours.



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Ycon: Personally



Richard J. Daily
Governor of Illinois
Springfield, Illinois

Capital of the State

Noeste Ipsum

Needles for sewing: Embalm Cadavers
Affairs of Sociology, Locus Belli

Post Mortem: Special Curve
and Half curved triangles for mouth
Made in England

RECEIVED
AUG 21 1967
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE



CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

POSTAGE

Otto Kerner
Governor of Illinois
Springfield
Illinois
U.S. of A.

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PLAIN TEXT

SEPTEMBER 6, 1967

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TO SACs, SPRINGFIELD *EX 106*

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI *9-47009*

[Redacted Box]

OTTO KERNER - GOVERNOR -

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STATE OF ILLINOIS - VICTIM; EXTORTION. OO: SJ.

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SAN JUAN CONDUCT NO ACTIVE INVESTIGATION. ADVISE
APPROPRIATE LOCAL AND FEDERAL AUTHORITIES CONCERNING THIS
MATTER.

SPRINGFIELD INSURE THAT VICTIM'S OFFICE IS AWARE OF
U. S. ATTORNEY'S OPINION.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATION SECTION

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/18/67

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (9-672) RUC

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

OTTO KERNER - GOVERNOR -
STATE OF ILLINOIS - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO:SPRINGFIELD

Re Springfield airtel to Director, dated 9/1/67;
Bureau teletype dated 9/6/67;
Springfield airtel to San Juan dated 9/7/67.

On 9/15/67, this information was furnished to SAC
CHARLES GITTENS, United States Secret Service, at Hato Rey,
Puerto Rico.

On 9/10/67 this information was furnished to
[REDACTED] of the OI-POPR. Lieutenant
[REDACTED] stated that he would make arrangements to have
this subject covered by the local authorities during the
month of October, with special emphasis during the week of
10/15/67.

No active investigation being conducted on the
part of San Juan division.

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